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Field Crops Report

As of November 11, **Cotton** harvest is 66 percent complete, compared with 69 percent last year and 67 percent for the five year average.

Alfalfa harvest progress was reported as 37 percent not being harvested, 11 percent light, 16 percent moderate and 36 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 10 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 51 percent good, and 19 percent excellent.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cantaloupes, cabbage, cilantro, head lettuce, honeydews, mixed greens, and watermelons, while producers in eastern Arizona harvested head lettuce.

Western Arizona producers shipped bok choy, cantaloupes, endive, escarole, honeydews, mixed greens, rapini, spinach and watermelons last week. Western lettuce shipments included iceberg, leaf, romaine and spring mix.

Citrus producers in central Arizona harvested navels last week, while western producers harvested lemons and navels last week.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 2 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 44 percent fair, 35 percent good, and 11 percent excellent. **Livestock** were reported to be in good condition. **Stock Water** was reported as adequate. **Soil Moisture** was reported as short. **Insect Damage** was reported as light.

Overall, October range and pasture conditions remained in fair to good condition. Livestock remained in good condition. Stock water supplies throughout the state remained adequate, while soil moisture remained short. Insect damage was reported as light.

Northern grazing conditions ranged from fair to good during the month of October, worsening slightly when compared with September. Most ranchers reported warm and dry conditions during the month of October with many elk on the winter range with dry creeks and springs. High level elevation pastures were reported in good condition. Mid level conditions remained in fair to good condition. Low level conditions were reported as fair to good, worsening slightly compared with last month. Livestock were reported to be in good condition. Stock water supplies were reported as adequate. Soil moisture conditions were reported as short. Insect damage was reported as none.

Central pasture conditions were reported as fair to good, remaining constant when compared to last month. Some ranchers were reporting very dry conditions with dry stock tanks and springs. Range and pasture conditions were reported as poor to fair at high level elevations, worsening when compared with last month. Mid level and low level elevations were reported in fair to good condition. Livestock conditions were reported as good. Stock water supplies were reported as adequate, while soil moisture was reported as short. Insect damage was reported as light.

Southern pastures were reported to be in fair to good condition overall, remaining relatively constant when compared with last month. Ranchers have reported very dry conditions and heavy weed growth in some areas. Conditions were fair to good at high level elevation, remaining constant when compared with last month. Mid level conditions ranged from poor to good, worsening slightly. Lower level pastures ranged from fair to good, improving over last month. Livestock condition was reported as good. Stock water supplies were reported as adequate, while soil moisture was reported as short. Insect damage was reported as light.

Weather Summary

Temperatures throughout the State remained above average for the week ending November 10. Temperatures ranged from 7 degrees above normal at Parker, Prescott, and Yuma, to 14 degrees above normal at Coolidge. The highest temperature of the week was 95 degrees at Casa Grande, Coolidge, and Phoenix, while the lowest reading was 27 degrees at Flagstaff. Precipitation was reported at 14 of the 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.05 inches at Flagstaff and Tucson, to 0.77 inches at Casa Grande.

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Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA
FOR THE WEEK NOVEMBER 4 TO NOVEMBER 10, 2001**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	45	10	73	35	0.00	5.56	8.34
Casa Grande	63	9	95	50	0.77	7.79	7.57
Coolidge	61	14	95	51	0.06	8.94	7.27
Douglas	53	12	84	41	0.15	9.24	11.98
Flagstaff	39	8	63	27	0.05	16.06	19.05
Gila Bend	66	9	94	57	0.08	4.71	5.44
Grand Canyon	40	8	64	31	0.30	16.89	13.47
Kingman	54	9	85	45	0.57	7.28	8.33
Parker	66	7	92	55	0.00	2.08	3.65
Payson	48	8	78	38	0.29	18.64	18.55
Phoenix	65	12	95	62	0.20	5.84	6.20
Prescott Airport	49	7	76	38	0.38	10.20	11.70
Safford Ag Center	54	12	84	42	0.22	5.70	8.41
Tucson	62	10	91	54	0.05	7.21	10.46
Willcox	51	12	84	40	0.19	12.89	11.22
Winslow	47	10	74	38	0.00	5.84	7.01
Yuma	68	7	87	64	0.07	3.15	2.55

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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